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February 6, 2003

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D.  
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SUBJECT: **PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY VIRAL LOAD TESTING PROGRAM -  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES STANDARD  
AGREEMENT NO. 02-25753 FOR FYS 2002 - 2005**

This is to advise you that we are exercising the delegated authority approved by the Board of Supervisors on February 19, 2002, authorizing the Director of Health Services to accept Standard Agreements for subsequent fiscal years (up to 3 years) from the California Department of Health Services (DHS) for the Viral Load Testing Program not to exceed \$2,000,000 for each fiscal year (FY).

The Standard Agreement No. 02-25753 authorizes funding in the amount of \$1,900,000 in financial assistance for each fiscal year for a three year period from FY 2002 - FY 2005 for a total funding amount of \$5,700,000 for the Viral Load Testing Program.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Administrative Officer  
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